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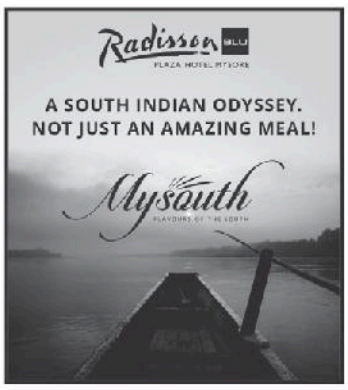

Pahalgam terror attack

Prime Minister Modi chairs crucial CCPA meet

Centre revamps National Security Advisory Board

Prime Minister Narendra Modi chairing a meeting on security, in New Delhi on April 29.

New Delhi, Apr. 30 (Agencies)- Prime Minister Narendra Modi this morning chaired a crucial meeting of the Cabinet Committee on Political Affairs — often dubbed the "Super Cabinet" — in the wake of last week's terror attack on tourists in Pahalgam, Kashmir.

The outcome of the CCPA meeting will be known at a press conference later today. The Prime Minister has so far chaired a series of high-level meetings, including the Cabinet Committee on Security (CCS), Cabinet Committee on Political Affairs (CCPA), and Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA). These back-to-back sessions focused on critical issues ranging from national security to economic strategy and political developments.

Today's CCPA meeting follows a high-level CCS session, the second since the Pahalgam massacre. In the aftermath of the first CCS meeting, the Government announced a series of non-military measures against Pakistan, including freezing the Indus Waters Treaty, shutting down the Attari border and cancelling all types of visas.

On Tuesday evening, PM Modi also met with Defence Minister Rajnath Singh, National Security Advisor Ajit Doval and Chief of Defence Staff General Anil Chauhan. During this meeting, sources say the Prime Minister gave the armed forces "complete freedom to decide the mode, targets and timing" of India's military response.

Against this backdrop, today's CCPA meeting has drawn significant attention and speculation. The committee last met in 2019 following the Pulwama terror attack, where it approved the withdrawal of the Most Favoured Nation status to Pakistan. That meeting set the stage for the Balakot airstrike by the Indian Air Force on February 26, 2019.

(See CRUCIAL CCPA MEET on page 8)

Holiday

Our offices will remain closed tomorrow on account of ***May Day****. Hence, there will be no issue of* ***Star of Mysore*** *dated* ***May 1, 2025.*** **— Management**

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"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Wednesday 30th April 2025

Free admission to hearing impaired at Govt. School

Mysuru, Apr.30- Free school admissions for classes 1 to 10 have begun at Government School for Deaf and Blind in Tilaknagar, for children with hearing impairment. Boys will be provided school admissions with free accommodation while girls will be provided free school admissions.

The syllabus prescribed by the Department of Public Instruction for normal children will be imparted in this school. Specially-abled children will get concessions in learning languages.

Admissions for the academic year 2025-26 have started and for 1st standard children in the age group of 5 ½ years to 9 years with hearing disability are eligible.

Children who have not attended schools till now because of their hearing disability and also those children who are already studying in other schools are also eligible for admissions.

Boys will be provided with free meals, accommodation, text books and medical facilities by the Government. SSLC students will be taught by teachers who have expertise in special teaching. The school is registering 100% result in SSLC examinations for the last 5 years.

Parents of hearing impaired children can obtain applications from the school during Office hours. For details call Ph: 0821-2494104 or Mob: 94490-10499 and 97310-59098.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

BOTTOMLESS AKSHAYA TRITIYA: *Contrary to popular culture associating Akshaya Tritiya with gold (wealth), the day is special on all counts, including education, charity activities and various good deeds. Falling in the vaikasa month when the moon is on the ascendence, this Tritiya is hailed as Akshaya Tritiya for various reasons, said Tirukkudanthai Dr. Venkatesh.*

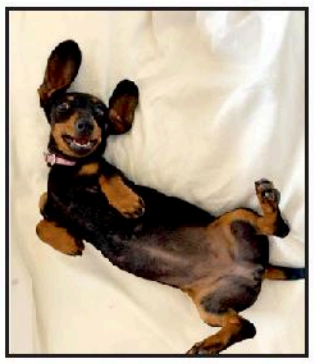
A number of good events took place on this day, benefiting mankind: the Ganga descended on earth; Lord Vishnu manifested as Parasuram; Kubera, a byname for wealth, became rich due to the grace of Mahalakshmi on this day; Kuchela became wealthy due to Krishna's kindness on Akshaya Tritiya. Krishna, hearing Draupadi's plea when she was being disrobed on this day, saved her dignity. It was on this day that Garuda fetched nectar from the devas to save his mother. Annapoorani, the goddess of food, took form on this day. Vyasa dictated the Mahabharata to Vinayaka on Akshaya Tritiya day. Yudhishthira received the Akshaya patra from Sun on this day.

Akshaya translates to endless prosperity; hence whatever activity or purchase one undertakes on this day is believed to fetch maximum results, which explains the frenetic buying of gold, silver and diamond articles in even miniscule quantity or purchases in the share market. The temples reverberate with bhakti on this day, as devotees re-invest in their faith as well on this day.

Our sastras recommend that one prays to Maha Vishnu by offering grains and to pray to Mahalakshmi with flowers and sandal paste. It is recommended that one undertake charity work on this day and donate medicines, fruits, umbrella, buttermilk, grains and other items.— In The Hindu

NEWS SPARKLERS

Miniature dachshund found after 529 days



Stokes Bay: A miniature dachshund which fled from her owners on Australia's Kangaroo Island has been rescued after 549 days in the wild.

The dog, named Valerie, fled from a Stokes Bay campsite while visiting with her owners, Georgia Gardner and Josh Fishlock, in November 2023.

The couple feared their pet had fallen victim to one of the predators, but in mid-March this year rescuers with Kangala Wildlife Rescue revealed there had been confirmed sightings of Valerie alive and well on the island.

Valerie was finally caught in a crate with a remote-controlled door Friday night where a T-shirt with the scent of her owners had been ripped up and placed as bait.

Man's eye-popping trick earns world record

Milan: A Uruguay man living in Italy found himself with a Guinness World Records title thanks to an unusual party trick: popping his eyes out of their sockets.

Williams Martin Sanchez Lopez, who is from Montevideo, Uruguay, and currently lives in Milan, Italy, said he learned when he was about 8 or 9 years old that he was able to relax the muscles around his eyes and cause his eyeballs to pop out like a cartoon character.

Lopez's doctor performed official measurements and found his eyes could pop .74 inches out of their sockets, enough to earn him the title for the farthest eyeball pop (male).

"When I come close and pop out my entire eyeball, people jump two meters high," Williams said.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Asthma is a chronic respiratory condition characterized by inflammation of the airways, causing them to narrow and produce excess mucus, leading to difficulty breathing. Symptoms of asthma include wheezing, shortness of breath, coughing, and chest tightness.

By Dr. Lakshmi Narasimhan R - Consultant - Pulmonology
Manipal Hospital, Mysore

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LIFE'S ON

** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature*

'Text Book of Industrial Microbiology' released

Dr. Vijayalakshmi Muralidhar** (centre), **Hon. Secretary, Mahajana Education Society, Mysuru, is seen releasing the book titled** 'Text Book of Industrial Microbiology' **written by Dr. Renu Agrawal** (second from left), **former Chief Scientist, Rural Development Co-ordinator, Project Advisor, CSIR-CFTRI, Mysuru, at a function organised by School of Life Sciences, Department of Studies in Microbiology of Pooja Bhagavat Memorial Mahajana Education Centre (PBMMEC), PG Wing of SBRR Mahajana First Grade College, at its Life Science Auditorium recently. Others seen are** (from left) **Dr. C.K. Renukarya, Director, PBMMEC, Dr. Prakash M. Halami, Chief Scientist & Professor, CSIR-CFTRI, Mysuru and Dr. S.R. Ramesh, Chief Scientist, Faculties, School of Life Science.

WATER LEVEL

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Last year's level **81.11 feet**	Last year's level **2,259.85 feet**	Last year's level **2,824.44 feet**
Yesterday's level **95.52 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,264.72 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,831.98 feet**
Today's Inflow **121 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **67 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **115 cusecs**
Today's Outflow **1,650 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **800 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **100 cusecs**

REALLY...?

- *The royal family of Mewar in Rajasthan, used floating Palace on Lake Pichola as a summer retreat. Constructed in the 18th century in Udaipur, also known as the city of lakes, it is now a luxury heritage property managed by Taj Hotels.*

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

New Assistant: *Why should I put water in first, and pour milk into it?*

Milkman: *Then you can say in truth that we don't put water into the milk!!*

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 85.10
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 113.93
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 23.17
1 Euro	= Rs. 96.75

VOICE OF THE READER

Escalators at City Railway Station: A clarification

Sir,

With reference to the news item titled ***'Escalators at City Railway Station fail passengers daily'*** and a reader's letter in this column — '***Neglect of accessibility facilities at Mysuru Railway Station'*** — published in *Star of Mysore* dated Apr. 28 and Apr. 29, we wish to clarify that the reports do not accurately reflect the ground reality.

In response to the concern raised, we wish to clarify that **the escalator service is frequently interrupted due to passengers pressing the emergency stop button out of fear or panic.**

As there is no dedicated staff stationed at the escalators, resetting takes some time.

To address this, a set of reset keys has been provided to Railway Protection Force (RPF) staff at the entrance, and they have been trained to handle such situations promptly.

— Girish Dharmaraj Kalagonda,
Divisional Commercial Manager and
Public Relations Officer,
South Western Railway,
Mysuru Division

Mysuru
29.4.2025

Free monthly mass marriage at Suttur

Mysuru, Apr. 30- Suttur Srikshetra, apart from organising mass marriages during the Jathra Mahotsava, is also organising mass marriages every month since February 2009. All sections of society are eligible to take part in these mass marriages.

The next monthly mass marriage will be held on May 16 at Suttur in Nanjangud. The prospective bridegrooms and brides, who have completed 21 and 18 years respectively may apply along with their photographs, caste certificates and age certificate based on school admission records.

Free gold mangalsutra, silver toerings, saree and blouse will be given to the brides while the bridegrooms will be given panche, valli and shirt.

For details and registration, those interested may call Ph: 08221-232217 or 232033 or Mob: 97413-42222.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Sudarshan Kriya

Sri Ravishankar Guruji's Art of Living is conducting a workshop to achieve a stress-free, healthy, happy and peaceful life. Workshop includes yoga, pranayama, meditation and powerful breathing technique (Sudarshan Kriya) from May 6 to 10 from 6 am to 8.30 am and 6 pm to 8.30 pm at Art of Living Ashram, Lalithadripura Road, Mysuru. [Mob: 94804-76825]

Ph.D awardees

M. Sowndarya has been awarded Ph.D in Earth Science by the University of Mysore (UoM) for her thesis 'Geohydrological investigations on Yagachi Watershed Area, Karnataka, India, Using Remote Sensing and GIS.' [Guide: Dr. M.R. Janardhana]

Y.N. Mahadeva Prasad has been awarded Ph.D in Computer Science by the UoM for his thesis 'Machine Learning Techniques for Printed Kannada Text Recognition in Scene Images.' [Guide: Dr. H.K. Chethan]

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13-acre land worth Rs. 50 crore reclaimed from encroachers

Sri Chamundeshwari Kshetra Development Authority acts tough; takes back lands belonging to Sri Chamundeshwari Temple, Chamundi Hill and Sri Jwalamukhi Tripurasundari Amma Temple, Uttanahalli

Mysuru, Apr. 30 (SBD&BS)- Sri Chamundeshwari Kshetra Development Authority has reclaimed over 13 acres of land worth about Rs. 50 crore belonging to Sri Chamundeshwari Temple, Chamundi Hill and Sri Jwalamukhi Tripurasundari Amma Temple, Uttanahalli.

Chief Minister Siddaramaiah, also the Chairman of the Sri Chamundeshwari Authority, in the maiden meeting of the Authority held on Sept. 3, 2024 had decided to identify and reclaim the assets belonging to the temples under its ambit. Accordingly, the officers belonging to the Authority acted swiftly and took into the possession 6.34 acres of land encroached upon by the private parties at Uttanahalli and 6.16 acres of land at Hadajana Chikkegowdana Hundi village. That apart, 17.24 acres of land in the surroundings of Uttanahalli Temple has been secured. The boards have been put at these lands informing that 'these properties belong to Sri Chamundeshwari Kshetra Development Authority and the trespassers will be prosecuted.'

Sharing the details in this regard, M.J. Roopa, Secretary of Sri Chamundeshwari Authority, said, following the CM's instructions and the guidance of Deputy Commissioner G. Lakshmikanth Reddy, action was taken to protect the properties belonging to Sri Chamundeshwari Temple and Uttanahalli Temple. The Revenue Department assessed the lands belonging to these temples and the lands in three different survey numbers have been reclaimed at Uttanahalli and two survey numbers at Hadajana Chikkegowdana Hundi.

Officials supervising the works on restoring the boundary of land using an earth-moving vehicle at Uttanahalli.

At Uttanahalli, 4.34 acres of land belonging to Survey No. 163 and 2 acres in Survey No. 197/1 had been encroached upon. Those claiming ownership of the lands had argued that they had received them as *inam* (gift), for rendering puja service to the deity. However, the case had been quashed at District Magistrate's Court. Subsequently, the lands were taken into possession and compound was built to secure the boundary of the lands. Though the rival parties had moved Court, the Court has ruled in favour of Chamundeshwari Authority, said Roopa.

While there is no dispute over the ownership of land in Sy. No. 163, the land has been secured as a precautionary measure, she said. On the other hand, works are underway to restore fencing of 17.24 acres of land in Sy.No. 1 around Uttanahalli Temple that has got damaged at places, added Roopa.

At Hadajana Chikkegowdana Hundi, a total of 6.16 acres of land including Sy.Nos. 81/4 and 81/5 belonging to Sri Chamundeshwari Temple has been reclaimed. Majority of the land had been encroached upon, by building shed like houses at places. In another Sy.No. 78/1, land measuring 1.16 acres belongs to Sri Chamundeshwari Temple. The order has been issued to survey the extent of land, said Roopa.

That apart, the Deputy Commissioner had sanctioned 1.24 acres of land near Sri Chamundeshwari Temple to the shrine several years back, but the encroachers have set their eyes on that land too. The land will be surveyed before taking further action, after bringing it to DC's notice.

Design logo, win prize

Mysuru, Apr. 30 (BLU&BS)- Here is an opportunity to design the logo that evokes a sense of devotion highlighting the significance of Nada Devathe Sri Chamundeshwari Kshetra of Chamundi Hill, and win a prize.

Sri Chamundeshwari Kshetra Development Authority has provided an opportunity by organising a contest for the interested people to serve the Goddess with their creative ability and display their talent.

The logo should be designed along with a tagline and a memento. The concept of the logo should be explained in 200 words. The best logos which will be rewarded with prizes. The first prize of Rs. 20,000, second prize - Rs. 10,000 and third prize - Rs. 5,000 will be given along with the certificates.

Interested may enrol by logging on to ***https://forms.gle/xpdzL42CaMC3pgQB9***

The last date to enrol names is May 28. For details, contact Mob: 74115-64510, according to a press release.

Unidentified man dies

Mysuru, Apr. 30 (KS)- An unidentified elderly man, who had sustained injuries in an accident at K.R. Nagar Railway Station on Apr. 28 and admitted to K.R. Hospital in Mysuru for further treatment, has succumbed to injuries at the hospital.

The deceased is aged between 70 and 75 years, 5.6 ft. tall, dark complexioned, normal built, oval faced, sports beard and moustache, has mark of an old wound on his left hand and was wearing a blue coloured hospital gown.

The kith and kin of the deceased, if any, may contact Mysuru Railway Police Station on Ph: 0821-2516579, according to a press release.

Unidentified body found

Mysuru Railway Police on Apr. 26, have found a body of an unidentified man who was run over by a moving train near Akkihebbal Railway Station and have registered a case.

The deceased is aged between 50 and 55 years, 5.6 ft. tall, dark complexioned, normal built, sports beard and moustache, has a scar on the sole of his right foot and was wearing a cream coloured full arm checks shirt, khaki coloured full arm shirt, black pant, red coloured shorts and green coloured socks. The kith and kin of the deceased, if any, may contact Mysuru Railway Police Station on Ph: 0821-2516579.

Woman, daughter go missing

Sinchana and Rutiksha

Mysuru, Apr. 30 (KS)- A 25-year-old woman and her two-year-old daughter have gone missing from Seegalli village, Yelwal hobli in the taluk.

The missing duo is Sinchana, wife of Eshwar and her daughter Rutiksha.

According to the complaint from Eshwar, Sinchana went out of the house on Apr. 25 to throw garbage and has gone missing.

Those having any information about Sinchana and Rutiksha, may call Ph: 0821-2402222, according to a press release.

Obituary

A.N. Nanjaraje Urs

Mysuru, Apr. 30- A.N. Nanjaraje Urs (Chikka Annaiah), a resident Tyagaraja Road 5th Cross, passed away this morning in city. He was 93.

He leaves behind three sons, one daughter and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at Urs Community Burial Grounds at the foot of Chamundi Hill this afternoon, according to family sources.

M. Sanjeev Shetty

Hunsur: M. Sanjeev Shetty (78), former President of Hunsur Hotel Owners Association, proprietor of Hotel Devi Prasad in Hunsur, passed away yesterday in the town.

He leaves behind six daughters, sons-in-law including former FKCCI President Sudhakar Shetty, grand-children and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were held at Hunsur this morning.

Unauthorised construction at Golf Club

HC directs MCC to act against illegality; next hearing on June 9

Mysuru, Apr. 30 (BCT)- The Karnataka High Court has directed the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) to take action against any illegal construction carried out at the Jayachamaraja Wadiyar Golf Club (JWGC) in Mysuru.

Recently, renovation and construction activities were undertaken at the JWGC, which falls within the jurisdiction of the Mysore Race Club (MRC). Although these activities had received approval from the Public Works Department (PWD), the MRC authorities objected and lodged a formal complaint with the MCC.

In response, the MCC Zone Office-1 issued a notice to the contractor overseeing the construction, as well as to the MRC administration, citing unauthorised renovation and building activity.

According to the notice, the old structure was renovated and new sections added without obtaining building plan approval or other necessary permissions. The MCC ordered an immediate halt to the construction, stating that any further work must be carried out only with proper approvals. The Corporation warned that if the construction continues in violation of the rules, the building will be demolished and the cost of demolition recovered from the building owner. Legal action will also be initiated under Section 321 of the Karnataka Municipal Corporations Act, 1976.

MRC clarifies: Meanwhile, the MRC clarified that it is not connected to the construction and that the JWGC acted independently and ignored prior instructions. **The MRC submitted a petition to the MCC seeking appropriate action.**

With no action taken by the MCC for several months, the MRC approached the High Court. Both the MCC and the PWD were made respondents in the case. The Court has now allowed the inclusion of the JWGC as an additional respondent.

Justice S. Sunil Dutt Yadav, presiding over the Single-Judge Bench, has directed the MCC to take action against any unauthorised construction carried out within the jurisdiction of the MRC and without the necessary approvals. The next hearing is scheduled for June 9.

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WALK-IN-INTERVIEW FOR THE POST OF PROJECT ASSISTANT

A Walk-in-Interview will be held on 17/05/2025 at Central Sericultural Research and Training Institute, Srirampura, Mysuru - 570 008 as shown below:

'A' 01 (One) Project Assistant (PA) purely on contract basis under CSB approved Project "Studies on carbon sequestration in mulberry cultivation under different climatic conditions" (Project Code: PIP03017MIC) for a period Up to November 2027 or completion of project whichever is earlier under CSB Terms and Conditions.

Qualifications for Project Assistant (PA):

1. Three/Four years full time B.Sc. in relevant subject (Agriculture/Life Science) or above, with minimum 55% marks (50% for SC/ST candidates).
2. Three/Four years full time B.Sc. & PGD in Sericulture in relevant subject (Agriculture /Life Science) or above, with minimum 55% marks (50% for SC/ST candidates).

Desirable qualifications: Candidate with working knowledge in Soil Analysis, having higher qualification and/or work experience in Environmental Science/Soil Science/Chemistry/Sericulture.

Walk in Interview will be held on 17/05/2025, time 10:30 AM (candidates should reach the venue by 9:30 AM for verification of documents, other recruitment procedures).

Interested can also visit our website www.csrtimys.res.in, https://csb.gov.in/ for details.

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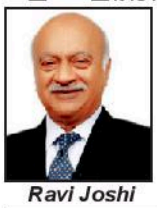


Ravi Joshi

As the State celebrates 'Basava Jayanti' today, it is indeed apt to recall one of the most revolutionary ideas of Basavanna — the 'Anubhava Mantapa' and its significance to the modern world. In the mid-12th century when Basavanna led the revolt against Brahminical Orthodoxy, he did it so on several fronts.

First was the rejection of ritual practices of Vaidika Brahmins, the family in which he was born by refusing to wear the 'Janivaara,' a sacred thread worn by a Brahmin boy after his Upanayanam ceremony. It is a tragic irony of our times that people in Karnataka are still fighting over this symbol of high-caste birth, today, more than 800 years after Basavanna rejected it.

When a social reformer fights a social ill or evil, he does so because, in principle, it goes against the very spirit of humanism that the religion propounds or extols. Or is it possible that the spirit of humanism is not the dominant tenet of our religion but maintaining social order, through a rigid structure of caste hierarchy, is?

The word 'Dharma' coming as it does from the word 'Dhr' meaning 'to hold or support' related to the Latin word 'firmus' ('firm' or 'stable') emphasised the need to uphold a social order, whether it was desirable or not, whether it promoted equality, justice and brotherhood of man. All these three notions are usually

Basavanna, Social Reformer

dismissed as post-Renaissance ideas borrowed from the West and are alien to our *'Sanatana Dharma'* but that's exactly what Basavanna fought for, in the mid-12th century.

Second was Basavanna's rejection of temples and idol worship. He told his followers not to visit temples and pray to stone idols that are pasted with 'kumkuma' or 'vibhuti' but to pray to the God within oneself. This act of rejection of temples was an expression of his fellowship with all those who were denied entry into the temples, a social practice that continued till the early 20th century when Mahatma Gandhi, Vinoba Bhave and others had to fight for the right of all Hindus to enter temples.

Thirdly, Basavanna said that to worship the Gods one need not learn Sanskrit or the obscure 'mantras' but could recite verses called 'Vachanas' composed in Kannada, either by themselves or by the more spiritually inclined persons — the Sharanas (those who have surrendered to God).

Fourth was his bold and open support to women, a major challenge to the hide-bound rules of patriarchy.

Finally, his most important act was his total rejection of the 'Varnashrama' Dharma (four structures and four stages of social and individual life) and its unequal hierarchy and openly preaching and practicing inter-dining and inter-marriage between the castes. This was considered a direct threat to the social order sustained by the duo-poly of the Brahmins and Kshatriya power-structure.

Some may argue that the Kalachuri dynasty of the Chalukyas that ruled North Karnataka at that time was a Jain dynasty, hence did not fit into the conventional duo-poly of the old regimes. Still the power of Brahmins on this Jain dynasty cannot be ruled out, as Basavanna's father-in-law was a prominent Minister under the Bijjala King and subsequently Basavanna became a Chief Treasury Officer or as 'Basava Dandanayaka' under the same King.

According to Dharmashastras, one of the principal duties of the King is to protect the 'Varna' system and to see that there is no 'Varna-Sankara' or mixing of castes through inter-marriage. The King ordered the marriage of Allayya's son (an untouchable)

Anubhava Mantapa established by Basavanna in 12th Century C.E. at Basavakalyan in Bidar district.

with that of Madhuvayya's daughter (a Brahmin), to be stopped, although Basavanna had blessed the proposed union. Upon their refusal to obey his orders, the King decreed to have their eyes plucked out. This led to a revolt of the Veerashaiva community, with one of their men Jagadeva finally killing the King.

Chaos ensued and Basavanna and a few of his followers left Kalyan and went to Kudalasangama where Basavanna became one with the Gods, as per the legend, or 'Aikya with Shiva' at the confluence of rivers Krishna and Ghataprabha.

'Anubhava Mantapa' as a precursor to 'Public Sphere'

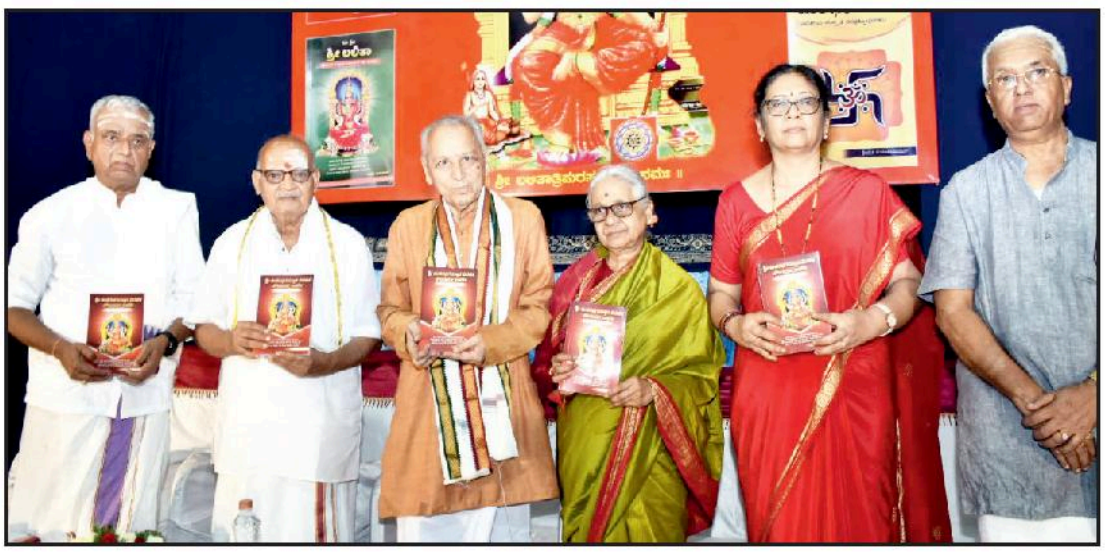
Among the threats to social order of his times, one of the most innovative practices that Basavanna started was the 'Anubhava Mantapa' which broadly translates into a 'platform to exchange experiences.' To understand the importance of this, we should turn to the explication of this concept — 'public sphere' by the German Marxist philosopher Jürgen Habermas.

Habermas argues that in the Middle Ages, there was a merely "representative" public sphere, in which kings and nobles displayed their status before society. The bourgeois public sphere begins to emerge in the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries, after the French Revolution, at first in the guise of a literary public sphere.

Needless to say, participants in the bourgeois public sphere were *de facto* almost all 'educated male property-owning members' of the bourgeoisie, along with some sympathisers from the aristocracy. His critics have charged that Habermas does not pay sufficient attention to the way it was constituted by 'excluding property-less workers and, above all, women.'

This is where Basavanna stands out as a great visionary in conceiving the Anubhava Mantapa as a platform that was open to all castes, classes, creeds or religious persuasions without distinction of gender. The re-imagining and re-creation of the 'public sphere' had to wait till the arrival of Mahatma Gandhi on the Indian political scene in the early 20th century.

'Soundarya Lahari' and 'Manthana' books released



Sanskrit Scholar Dr. H.V. Nagaraja Rao** (third from left) **is seen releasing the books 'Soundarya Lahari' and 'Manthana,' authored by Suma Sheshachalan, at a programme held at Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha on JLB Road in city recently. Mulakanadu Sabha President K.N. Gurumurthy, retd. Professor of SJCE C.R. Nataraj, retd. Sanskrit Professor Dr. K.L. Prasannakshi and author Suma Sheshachalan were among those present.

Sri Shankaracharya Jayanti on May 2

Mysuru, Apr. 30- The District Administration and Department of Kannada and Culture have jointly organised 'Sri Shankaracharya Jayanti' on May 2 from 11.30 am at Kiru Rangamandira, Kalamandira premises in city.

Swami Jnanayogananda Maharaj, Editor of Sri Ramakrishna Ashram's monthly magazine *Viveka Prabha*, will grace the occasion. District Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa will inaugurate.

Chamaraja MLA K. Harishgowda will preside. MPs Yaduveer Krishna Datta Chamaraja Wadiyar and Sunil Bose will be the chief guests.

MLAs Tanveer Sait, T.S. Srivatsa, G.T. Devegowda, D. Ravishankar, Ramesh Bandisiddegowda, Anil Chikkamadu,

Darshan Dhruvanarayan, G.D. Harishgowda and MLCs Dr. D. Thimmaiah, A.H. Vishwanath, C.N. Manjegowda, Dr. Yathindra Sldaramaiah, K. Vivekananda and Madhu G. Madegowda will be the guests.

Chairmen of various government Boards, Corporations and Authorities will also participate.

Retired High School teacher and scholar Vidu. M.C. Nagalakshmi will deliver a lecture.

Case of missing family found dead

After KRS visit, shortcut turns deadly for father, children

Family blames CNNL officials who refused to reduce VC Canal water flow despite appeals

Mysuru / Mandya, Apr. 30 (RK,MR&BCT)- More details are emerging in the tragic case where three members of a family were found dead inside a car submerged in the Visvesvaraya Canal (VC Canal), within the Krishna Raja Sagar (KRS) Police Station limits of Mandya district.

The bodies were recovered from the KRS North Bank Canal (VC Canal) and identified as Kumaraswamy (38), his eight-year-old son Adhwaith, and his three-year-old daughter Akshara.

The family, originally from K.R. Nagar taluk, was residing in Bengaluru and had gone missing on April 17 while travelling from Bengaluru to K.R. Nagar.

The vehicle reportedly surfaced after the water level in the canal dropped. Upon retrieval of the car, rescue personnel discovered all three bodies inside. Police suspect that the car may have hit a stone while navigating a shortcut and plunged into the canal. The front of the car was damaged, indicating a possible loss of control, officials said.

Investigators examine car after it was retrieved from VC Canal yesterday morning. The front portion of vehicle was found damaged, leading to suspicions that the driver, Kumaraswamy, lost control after hitting a stone, causing the car to plunge into the canal.

Car struck a stone

According to Srirangapatna Dy.SP Shanthamallappa, Kumaraswamy had visited the Brindavan Gardens at KRS Dam with his children and had called his father in K.R. Nagar before heading back, even allowing the children to speak over the phone.

While attempting a shortcut along a mud road beside the canal, the car struck a stone, causing Kumaraswamy to lose control. The vehicle then veered off the path and fell into the canal.

With the windows closed and the doors jammed, all three occupants drowned. Police confirmed, based on on-site evidence, that the incident was an accident and ruled out suicide. The phone Kumaraswamy had with him is believed to have stopped working once submerged.

High water levels impeded search: SP

Mandya SP Mallikarjuna Baladandi stated that KRS Police were alerted on Tuesday morning about a car submerged near the North Bank Canal. Around ten days earlier, a missing persons case involving Kumaraswamy and his two children had been registered at the Madanayakanahalli Police Station in Bengaluru.

During the investigation, Kumaraswamy's mobile tower location showed activity within the KRS Police Station limits, prompting local searches, which were initially unsuccessful due to high water levels.

The discovery of the car and bodies was made only after the canal's water level receded. A detailed inquiry is underway, and Police are collecting information from family members to confirm the nature of the incident, the SP said.

Since a missing persons complaint was already filed in Bengaluru, no separate complaint had been registered in KRS Police Station until now. A case over the death of the three persons will now be taken up by the KRS Police.

CNNL denies family's request

Kumaraswamy's brothers, Naveen and Manju, said that as they had suspected that the car may have fallen into the canal and had appealed to CNNL officials 10 days back to halt water flow temporarily to aid the search, but request was denied.

Brother suspects foul play

Kumaraswamy had married Sushma eight years ago in a love marriage and Kumaraswamy frequently travelled to his father's house in K.R. Nagar from Bengaluru.

For the past two years, however, Sushma had not visited her in-laws at K.R. Nagar and Kumaraswamy travelled with his children. Kumaraswamy's brother Naveen has expressed doubts over the circumstances of the deaths.

Sushma, however, filed a complaint at KRS Police Station, suspecting that Kumaraswamy was driving his car recklessly, which resulted in the accident.

Despite repeated tragedies, no safety barriers along VC Canal

Formed in August 2023 by Mandya DC, Safety Committee's work remains a mystery

Mandya, Apr. 30 (BCT)- The tragedy that claimed three lives after a car plunged into the VC Canal adds to the grim history of accidents along this waterway. The incident underscores the urgent need for installing safety barriers along the canal, which runs adjacent to roads across Mandya district.

On Feb. 4, 2025, three individuals — Fayaz, Aslam Pasha, and Peer Khan, all residents of Haalahalli village died, when their car fell into the canal near Machanahalli village. One person was rescued.

Earlier, on Mar. 12, 2023, Nandisha died on the spot and his brother Yogananda sustained serious injuries when their car veered off the road and crashed into the canal near Avverahalli.

Tragedy struck again on July 27, 2023, when Lokesh's car fell into the canal near Thibbanahalli; his body was found downstream the next day. Two days later, on July 29, Rekha (35), her daughter Sanjana (18), Mamatha (40), and Mahadevamma (50) drowned near Arakere.

The deadliest incident occurred on Nov. 24, 2018, when a bus accident in a canal near Kanaganamaradi killed around 30 passengers. Despite these fatalities, authorities have failed to implement basic safety measures like retaining walls or crash barriers, leaving the canal a persistent hazard.

In response to repeated accidents, the Mandya District Administration formed a committee in August 2023 to recommend safety barriers along canals, lakes and other waterbodies, as well as warning signs near accident-prone stretches.

Mandya DC Dr. Kumara tasked the committee with overseeing crash barrier construction and maintenance along the VC Canal and lake bunds. It was to identify vulnerable locations, recommend safety upgrades, and ensure execution.

The DC had directed officials managing lakes and canals to assess damaged or missing barriers and submit findings. The goal was to initiate timely repairs and improve public safety.

However, nearly two years after the order, there has been no public update on the committee's progress. It remains unclear whether field studies were conducted or reports submitted, as no information has been released to the media.

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Basava Jayanti celebrated in city

Dignitaries led by Hosamutt Seer Sri Chidananda Swamiji offered floral tributes to the statue of Basavanna, as part of Basava Jayanti celebrations in city this morning. Picture right shows MLA and KPCC Working President Tanveer Sait offering floral tributes to the portrait of Basavanna at Kalamandira as others look on.

Mysuru, Apr. 30 (MTY&BS)- Basava Jayanti, the birth anniversary of 12th century social reformer Basavanna, was celebrated across the city this morning.

The District Administration in association with Kannada and Culture Department had organised Basava Jayanti celebrations at Kalamandira.

MLA and KPCC Working President Tanveer Sait inaugurated the programme in the presence of Additional Deputy Commissioner Dr. P. Shivaraju, Assistant Director of Kannada and Culture Dr. M.D. Sudarshan, President of Akhila Bharata Sharana Sahitya Parishat, Mysuru City Unit, M.G. Sadanandaiah, former President of Mysuru District Kannada Sahitya Parishat M. Chandrashekar, pro-Kannada activist Mugur Nanjundaswamy and others.

Earlier, floral tributes were offered to the statue of Basavanna opposite JSS Mahavidyapeetha in city. Deputy Commissioner G. Lakshmikanth Reddy, Zilla Panchayat CEO S. Ukesh Kumar, MCC Commissioner Shaikh Tanveer Asif, City Police Commissioner Seema Latkar, SP N. Vishnuvardhana, Joint Director of Kannada and Culture V.N. Mallikarjunaswamy, Hosamutt Seer Sri Chidananda Swamiji, MLAs G.T. Devegowda and T.S. Srivatsa, MLC C. N. Manjegowda, DCPs M. Muthuraju and K.S. Sundar Raj were prominent among the dignitaries who offered floral tributes.

Foundation was laid for the construction of Akhila Bharata Veerashaiva Lingayat Mahasabha building on Rajkumar Road near JSS Layout, in the presence of Suttur Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji to mark the occasion.

Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) leaders and leaders of various other organisations too celebrated Basava Jayanti.

Union Ministers pay tribute to Basaveshwara at Parliament Complex

Union Ministers Ashwini Vaishnaw, V. Somanna, Kiren Rijiju, Pralhad Joshi, Shobha Karandlaje and BJP MP Tejasvi Surya, among others, paid floral tribute to Basaveshwara at the Parliament House Complex in New Delhi on the occasion of Basava Jayanti this morning. Speaking to the media, Parliamentary Affairs Minister Kiren Rijiju said that on the occasion of Basava Jayanti, a statue of Guru Basaveshwara was unveiled at Prerna Sthal in Parliament House Complex. Basava Jaya Mruthyunjaya Swamiji from Kudalasangama Panchamashali Peeta was also present.

Centre revamps National Security Advisory Board

New Delhi, Apr. 30 (Agencies)- The Modi Government has revamped the National Security Advisory Board amid tensions over Pahalgam terror attack, appointing former Intelligence Chief Alok Joshi as its Chairman.

Alok Joshi

Joshi, who earlier headed the Research and Analytical Wing (R&AW), will lead the seven-Member Board comprising retired officers from the Armed and Police Forces.

Former Western Air Commander Air Marshal P.M. Sinha, former Southern Army Commander Lt. Gen. A.K. Singh and Rear Admiral Monty Khanna are among the retired officers from the military services now part of the Board.

Two retired officers from the Indian Police Service (IPS) — Rajiv Ranjan Verma and Manmohan Singh — and B. Venkatesh Varma, a retired officer from the Indian Foreign Service, are also part of the revamped Board.

Modi chairs crucial CCPA meet

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The Cabinet Committee on Political Affairs (CCPA) is responsible for reviewing and deciding on critical political and economic issues. It plays a pivotal role in Centre-State relations, helping forge consensus when required.

The Committee also addresses matters of internal security with political implications, coordinates between Ministries on major policy matters and discusses foreign policy issues with potential political fallout.

CCPA members: The CCPA is chaired by the Prime Minister and includes: Defence Minister Rajnath Singh, Home Minister Amit Shah, Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman, Road Transport and Highways Minister Nitin Gadkari, Commerce Minister Piyush Goyal, Health Minister JP Nadda, Civil Aviation Minister K. Ram Mohan Naidu, MSME Minister Jitan Ram Manjhi, Shipping Minister Sarbananda Sonowal, Environment Minister Bhupender Yadav, Women and Child Development Minister Annapurna Devi, Parliamentary Affairs Minister Kiren Rijiju and Coal Minister G. Kishan Reddy. Cabinet Ministers from allied parties also have representation in the Committee.

MUDA Commissioner writes to Govt. for action against Spl. Tahsildar

Mysuru, Apr. 30 (RK&BS)- Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) Commissioner A.N. Raghunandan has recommended to the higher ups to take disciplinary action against Special Tahsildar K.V. Rajashekar, for allegedly issuing a sale deed for a residential property sans any heir and the bit of land attached to the house, but belonging to the MUDA, in a fraudulent manner.

Rajashekar is accused of illegally issuing the pauti khata (document issued in the name of the dead) for the house, prior to issuing the sale deed.

As the illegality came to light, MUDA Commissioner Raghunandan, in a letter written to the Government on Apr. 17, has recommended to take a disciplinary action against Rajashekar.

B.N. Nagendra, a RTI activist and resident of Yadavagiri, had complained to MUDA in this regard. Following the verification of documents, it came to light that a Model House bearing No. 867 and built on a site in the dimension of 30x40 at Gokulam 3rd Stage, had been allotted to one Alien Sharada Joseph on Nov. 2, 1982, by the then CITB, now MUDA and had also issued a title deed. However, following the death of Sharada on Sept. 3, 1983, the ownership of the property remained non-transferred to anybody till Apr. 6, 2024. It was later transferred to one Nevil Marcus Joseph, despite not being a legal heir, without obtaining any documents including vamsha vriksha (family tree) to facilitate the procedure of issuing a pauti khata. Along with the residential property, the bit of land belonging to MUDA had been allotted along with issuing the allotment letter in violation of rules, MUDA Commissioner has stated in the letter of recommending action against the officer.

Though the power to issue sale deed and sanctioning authority has been delegated to MUDA Secretary, Special Tahsildar Rajashekar in cahoots with Office Manager Somasundar had misused power by changing the sale deed, without bringing it to the notice of MUDA Secretary.

Office Manager Somasundar has been kept under suspension, while Rajashekar who is a Group 'B' officer has been recommended for a suitable action, the MUDA Commissioner said.

Pregnant wife murdered

Man sentenced to life

Mysuru, Apr. 30 (SBD&KS)- City's 5th Additional District and Sessions Court has sentenced a man to life imprisonment after he was found guilty of murdering his pregnant wife and being responsible for the death of the baby in womb. The man who was sentenced to life is Manju, a resident of Nanjangud while his deceased wife is Shobha.

Manju, who was in love with Shobha, had married her and has a five-year-old son. Manju, who was leading a happy life with his wife, later used to come home drunk and assault Shobha besides torturing her.

When Shobha was eight months pregnant with a second baby, her father died in an accident and her mother had received the insurance money. Manju, who came to know about it, demanded Shobha to bring money and had got Rs. 3 lakh which he spent.

He again began to harass Shobha to bring more money from her mother and began to torture her. On Sept. 14, 2023, Shobha came to her mother's house at Chamalapura Hundi for delivery. Manju, who came there began to quarrel with Shobha, abused her using foul language, took out a blade he had kept in his pocket and slashed the throat of Shobha.

Shobha was immediately rushed to Nanjangud Government Hospital and was later shifted to K.R. Hospital in Mysuru, where she breathed her last and the baby boy too died in the womb.

A case was registered at Nanjangud Town Police Station. The then Circle Inspector Basavaraju, who conducted an investigation had submitted a charge-sheet to the Court. Judge Gururaj Somakkalavar, who took up the case, heard the arguments from both sides, found the accused guilty of the crime and sentenced him to life imprisonment besides imposing a fine of Rs. 10,000.

B.E. Yogeshwar was the Public Prosecutor in this case.

FIR against Avva Madesh for alleged extortion attempt

Mysuru, Apr. 30 (RK&BCT)- A case has been registered at the Jayalakshmipuram Police Station against former Corporator Avva Madesh and his associate Nagu for allegedly threatening a businessman and demanding Rs. 5 lakh to allow him to operate a franchise at Gokulam.

The FIR, filed on Apr. 28 under Sections 308(2) and 3(5) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS) 2023, is based on a complaint by Krishnakami Reddy, son of Keshava Reddy and a resident of Manchegowdanakoppal, Mysuru.

Section 308(2) of the BNS elaborates on extortion by putting someone in fear of accusation, while Section 3(5) defines "Court" within the context of the BNS.

Reddy had taken up interior design work for a Barista Café franchise located on Gokulam Main Road after he signed an agreement with the building owner.

According to the complaint, on Jan. 24, a man named Nagu visited the site, claiming to be associated with Avva Madesh, and demanded Rs. 5 lakh, warning that the business would not be allowed to function without payment.

Though the complainant sought time to arrange the money, he allegedly received another call from Nagu on Feb. 2, again threatening to halt interior work unless the demand was met.

However, Krishnakami Reddy continued work but on Apr. 10, received a call from someone claiming to be Avva Madesh, asking him to visit his residence for further discussion. Since then, the complainant claims to have received repeated threatening calls from the same phone number and has sought legal protection.

In response, Avva Madesh has denied the allegations, stating: "I have not engaged in any such activities and do not know the complainant. If a case was filed, the Police should have first called me for questioning or verified my call records. Instead, an FIR was registered without investigation."

While acknowledging that Nagu works for him, Madesh said, "He is not someone who would threaten others."

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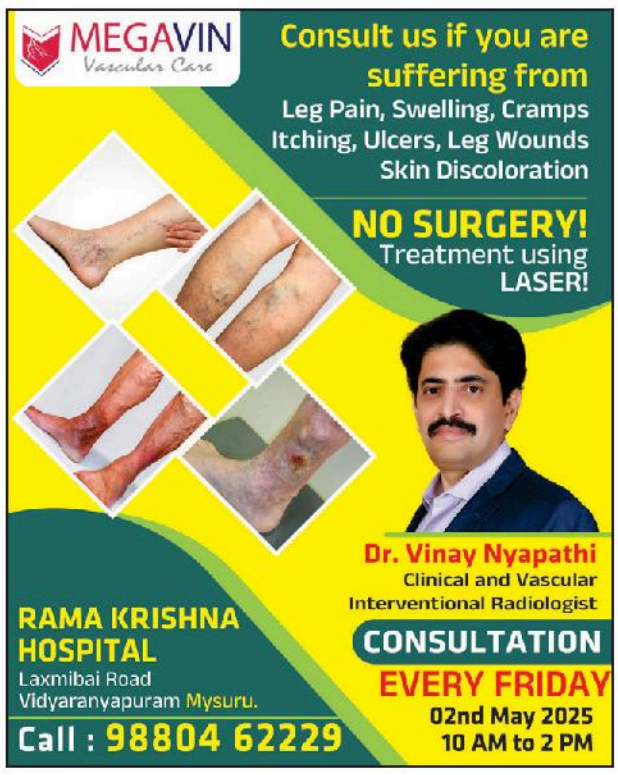

State Government extends tenure of DG&IGP Alok Mohan till May 21

Alok Mohan

Bengaluru, Apr. 30 (VNS)- The Karnataka Government has extended the tenure of DG&IGP Alok Mohan till May 21, announced Chief Minister Siddaramaiah, here yesterday.

Alok Mohan was to retire on Apr. 30 following his superannuation. However, the State Government has extended his tenure till May 21 to comply with the Supreme Court's directive that allows a mandatory two-year office for State Police Chiefs irrespective of superannuation.

Alok Mohan, a 1987 batch IPS Officer, took charge on May 22, 2023, following the appointment of the then DG&IGP Praveen Sood as the Director of Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI).

With Alok Mohan nearing his retirement, the State Government has recommended the names of senior Police Officers, Criminal Investigation Department (CID) DGP Dr. M.A. Saleem, Karnataka Fire and Emergency Services DGP Prashanth Kumar Thakur, Karnataka State Police Housing Corporation Limited Chairman and Managing Director K. Ramachandra Rao and CID Cybercrime and Narcotics Division DGP Dr. Pronab Mohanty, for the top post.

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Surviving the Office Generation Wars:

A daily tug-of-war between 'Gen WhatsApp' and 'Gen AI'

Walking into my office every morning feels like stepping into a time machine — one that malfunctions frequently, swinging me from one era to another without warning. On one side, my peers in their sixties nod sagely, discussing "policy frameworks" over their morning tea, while on the other, the younger crowd debates whether oat milk or almond milk is superior in their overpriced coffees. The contrast is stark, and my survival hinges on my ability to adapt.

The language barrier: More confusing than a policy draft

Every day, I add a new term to my growing vocabulary of "Young People Speak." Just when I had mastered "FOMO" (Fear of Missing Out), they moved on to "rizz" (which I initially mistook for a new economic policy). I nodded wisely when someone declared, "That report was giving major slay energy," before discreetly googling whether "slay" was good or bad in this context.

When I was younger, gestures were simple — handshakes, nods, the occasional pat on the back. Now, I find myself deciphering cryptic fist bumps, elaborate high-fives and something called "dapping up," which involves a level of coordination I last saw in military drills. A failed attempt at one left me awkwardly holding a colleague's fingers mid-air, like an uncompleted peace treaty.

Office politics: A new arena

Gone are the days when workplace politics involved whispered discussions and strategic alliances. The young brigade operates with fearless transparency.

They have no qualms about questioning authority, dismantling hierarchy, and openly discussing their career ambitions in the middle of a meeting. "I plan to have your job in five years," one bright-eyed 25-year-old announced casually over lunch, while I choked on my salad. The older generation would have at least waited until I finished eating before launching a coup.

The culinary minefield

Lunch used to be simple — rice, dal, chapati, maybe a side of curd. Now, I must navigate a menu that sounds like a UN climate summit — quinoa, chia pudding, kombucha and "plant-based protein alternatives." One day, I mistakenly referred to tofu as paneer and was subjected to a passionate lecture on the environmental impact of dairy. Another time, I tried ordering something safe — only to be informed that "avocado toast is so 2022."

Mentorship: The currency of loyalty

Despite the daily challenge of keeping up, working with these young minds is exhilarating. They do not just work; they dive head-first into problems, question everything, and refuse to accept "this is how it has always been done" as an answer. Their energy is infectious, their optimism unshakable — provided they are assured of three things:

1. Mentorship — They crave guidance but despise micromanagement. They want feedback but in WhatsApp-style brevity.

2. Care and love — Recognition must be immediate and preferably in the form of GIFs.

3. Food and coffee — No war, no battle, no government initiative can move forward without an endless supply of coffee, delivered within a 500-metre radius at all times.

The joy of the chaos

While the older generation values structure and patience, the younger one thrives on disruption and speed. The challenge is in finding balance — like being a bridge between a solid past and an unpredictable future. Some days, I long for the familiar comfort of my older peers and their deep institutional wisdom. Other days, I find myself learning a new TikTok trend just to stay relevant in a team brainstorming session.

At the end of the day, the joy lies in the fact that both generations — one with its wealth of experience, the other with its boundless enthusiasm — are working toward the same goal. If I must learn a new slang word every day and risk the occasional food experiment, it is a small price to pay for the privilege of leading and learning from the best of both worlds.

And if all else fails, I just nod, sip my coffee, and say, "That's giving major impact energy." It works every time.

[Dr. R. Balasubramaniam, the Founder of Swami Vivekananda Youth Movement, is currently the Member-HR at the Capacity Building Commission of the Government of India, New Delhi.]

Christ College event inspires next wave of entrepreneurs

Mysuru, Apr. 30 (BCT)- Christ College, Mysuru, recently hosted a three-day Industry-Academia Meet titled CONNECT 2K25 – The Big Leap: Dive into Startup.

Organised by the college's Placement Cell in collaboration with the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), the event — open to students of Christ College and other colleges too — aimed to foster entrepreneurial thinking and promote a vibrant startup culture among students.

Prof. N. Nagaraj, Registrar (Evaluation), University of Mysore, inaugurated the event alongside Rev. Fr. Jinto Jose, Principal of Christ College, S. Shilpa, Placement Officer and Kevin Johnson, Student Coordinator.

In his address, Prof. Nagaraj stressed the importance of becoming truly educated, not just literate, highlighting the need to acquire practical skills in tandem with academic knowledge.

Rev. Fr. Jinto Jose, presiding over the ceremony, emphasised the significance of nurturing innovation and entrepreneurial spirit in academic environments. He commended the Placement Committee for organising the event and encouraged students to aspire to become job providers rather than job seekers.

C.S. Nikhil, Proprietor of World of Mysore Pak, delivered a session titled "Failure is the Stepping Stone for Success," urging students to view setbacks as integral parts of the entrepreneurial journey. He shared personal experiences, illustrating how failures shaped his success.

M.R. Sudheendra, Business Head of Bhavishya Academy, Mysuru, spoke on "Successful Startup Stories." Drawing from real-world examples of ventures like Ola, Hoovu Fresh and State Plate, he offered valuable lessons on navigating the startup ecosystem. An Inter-Departmental Ideathon provided students with a dynamic platform to pitch innovative ideas.

Moderated by M.R. Sudheendra and Archana, Proprietor of Cucina Fresca, the Ideathon showcased the students' creativity and entrepreneurial potential.

With engaging speakers and interactive events, CONNECT 2K25 proved to be a significant initiative in bridging the gap between academia and industry, igniting a passion for innovation and entrepreneurship among students.

Rain wreaks havoc in Mysuru

Trees uprooted, electric poles, transformers damaged

Mysuru, Apr. 30 (SPN,MTY, RK&KS)- Heavy rains, accompanied by thunder, lightning and gusty winds, brought some respite to the residents who were reeling under scorching summer, but also created havoc in city and surrounding places last night.

The rains, which started at about 8.30 pm, began to pour heavily at about 9 pm catching motorists, especially two-wheeler riders, off guard. Accompanied by thunder, lightning and gusty winds, the rain not only disrupted traffic, but also brought down trees and branches besides snapping power lines and damaging electric poles and transformers.

While a large tree branch fell on a parked car damaging it on Temple Road in V.V. Puram, another large branch fell across the road near Ramakrishna Ashram. A huge tree branch fell on the power lines near ESI Hospital on KRS Road resulting in electric poles tilting and power lines sagging dangerously.

Also, over 15 large branches fell across the road from Deve Gowda Circle Junction towards Bannur, in front of Vidya Vikas Engineering College, disrupting smooth flow of traffic. Electric transformers at many places burst disrupting power. Power lines were also snapped at J.P. Nagar 11th Main Road near Sri Rama Mandira.

Tree and branches falling across the roads were reported at Gokulam Main Road in Jayalakshmipuram, Vontikoppal 1st and 2nd Main Road, Yadavagiri, Nelson Mandela Road in Bannimantap, Vidyaranyapuram, Vishveshwaranagar and other localities in city.

Following heavy rains, storm water drains and manholes began to overflow resulting in sewage water mixing with rain water and flowing on the roads near Deaf and Dumb School on New Sayyaji Rao Road and other places.

Following heavy rains and gusty wind, a banyan tree said to be 250 years old, got uprooted at Doddamaragowdanahalli village in the taluk.

A damaged electric pole on Kalidasa Road.

250-year-old banyan tree uprooted

Following heavy rains and gusty wind, a banyan tree said to be 250 years old and belonging to Beeregowda got uprooted at Doddamaragowdanahalli village in the taluk.

Also, mangoes worth lakhs of rupees and weighing about four tonnes were destroyed as the banyan tree fell on the mango trees bringing along two electric poles and snapping power lines. The fruits were supposed to be harvested in a day or two.

Meanwhile, CESC and MCC's Abhaya team members, who swung into action last night, were seen clearing fallen trees and branches. CESC personnel were carrying out works to restore power supply in some parts of the city this morning.

Rain forecast for Mysuru, Mandya, Chamarajanagar till May 1: IMD

Bengaluru, Apr. 30- The India Meteorological Department (IMD), Bengaluru, has forecast rains accompanied by thunderstorms and gusty winds in Mysuru, Mandya, Chamarajanagar and Hassan over the next three days.

The IMD issued an impact-based warning and according to the forecast for South Interior Karnataka, light to moderate rain or thundershowers with gusty winds (40-50 kmph) are likely at one or two places over Kodagu, Chikkamagalur, Ramanagara, Bengaluru Urban, Bengaluru Rural, Hassan, Kolar, Chikkaballapur, Chamarajanagar, Mandya, Tumakuru and Mysuru. In contrast, the remaining districts may have light rain or thundershowers with gusty winds.

On Apr. 30, light to moderate rain or thundershowers with gusty winds (40-50 kmph) are likely at a few places over Chikkamagalur, Chitradurga, Hassan, Chamarajanagar, Mysuru, Mandya, Ramanagara, Tumakuru, Bengaluru Urban, Bengaluru Rural, Chikkaballapura and Kolar, with dry weather expected elsewhere.

On May 1, similar conditions are predicted in Chikkamagalur, Chitradurga, Kodagu, Shivamogga, Hassan, Chamarajanagar, Mysuru, Mandya, Ramanagara, Tumakuru, Bengaluru Urban, Bengaluru Rural, Chikkaballapur and Kolar districts, while the rest of the State may remain dry.

By May 2, light to moderate rain or thundershowers with gusty winds (40-50 kmph) are expected at a few places across all districts. The IMD has also issued a thunderstorm warning, indicating that lightning is likely at isolated places over the State until May 4.

Additionally, gusty winds with speeds of 40-50 kmph are very likely in South Interior Karnataka during this period. Hailstorms may occur on Apr. 30 and May 1 at isolated places over North Interior Karnataka.

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QUOTATION NOTIFICATION

Sealed quotations are invited from the prospective contractors for the "Transporting of Drugs from Regional Store, ESI Hospital, Mysore, to the attached ESI Dispensaries" as per detail below.

Sl. No	Name of Dispensary	Distance from ESI Hospital Mysore	Place of delivery
1.	ESI D Central	6km	First Floor
2.	--"-- South	10km	First Floor
3.	--"-- VV Puram	02km	First Floor
4.	--"-- Brindavan Ext.,	04km	First Floor
5.	--"-- Belagola	10km	First Floor
6.	--"-- Belavadi	08km	Ground Floor
7.	--"-- N.R. Mohalla	06km	Ground Floor
8.	--"-- Nanjangud	30km	Ground Floor
9.	--"-- T. Narsipura	30km	Ground Floor
10.	--"-- Hassan	120km	Ground Floor
11.	--"-- Hunsur	50km	First Floor
12.	--"-- Arasikere	155 km	Ground Floor
13.	Other places	Per km	Only transport

The Terms and conditions as follows: 1) Quotation should be submitted in sealed cover addressed to "Medical Superintendent, ESI Hospital, Mysore. On or before 04.05.2025 before 4.00 PM. **2)** Transportation services should be provided as and whenever the necessity arise. **3)** The contractor who is having vehicles in their name only should quote against with valid license and taxes under M.V. Act should be cleared up to date. **4)** The rates should be quoted for transportation of drugs per Trip basis for a capacity of minimum 45 boxes, to various ESI Dispensaries. Additional charges should be quoted once the quantity exceeds 45 boxes. **5)** The contractor will be responsible for safe delivery of the drugs to the concerned ESI Dispensaries. Damages are to be borne by the contractor. **6)** The prices quoted shall be valid for a minimum period of one year from the date of award of the contract. **7)** The contractor should furnish the copy of Registration, GST Registration and Pan Card. **8)** The Medical Superintendent reserves the right to cancel the quotation without assigning any reasons. **9)** The fax Telephone No. if any of the quoting firm should be mentioned clearly in the quotation offer form. **10)** Quotation through Telephone, Fax, E-mail will not be accepted.

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5-day Sangeet Natak Akademi Music and Dance Festival begins

Chhau dance ballet 'Mahishasura Mardini' enthralls audience

Noted Veena exponent Prof. R. Visweswaran lighting the lamp during the inauguration of 5-day SNA Fellows and Awardees Festival of Music and Dance at Vijnana Bhavan, Manasagangothri, in city yesterday as others look on. Picture right shows a scene from Chhau dance ballet 'Mahishasura Mardini.'

Mysuru, Apr. 30 (GA&VNS)- 'Mahishasura Mardini', Chhau dance ballet presented by a group of 15 artistes led by Parikshit Mahato enthralled the audience on inaugural day of five-day SNA Fellows and Awardees Festival of Music and Dance organised by Sangeet Natak Akademi (SNA), New Delhi, in association with Karnataka State Dr. Gangubai Hangal (KSGH) Music and Performing Arts University, Mysuru, on the occasion of World Dance Day at Vijnana Bhavan, Manasagangothri, yesterday.

The Chhau dance team also presented stories from Ramayana, Mahabharata and other mythological events much to the delight of performing arts connoisseurs in the auditorium.

Earlier, the Fest was inaugurated by renowned Veena exponent Prof. R. Visweswaran. Speaking on the occasion, he said that Sangeet Natak Akademi Award was considered to be the most prominent awards among all in the Indian cultural diaspora and expressed his happiness over the Akademi organising the Music and Dance Festival in Mysuru.

Later, addressing the gathering, Bharatanatyam exponent and guru Dr. Lalitha Srinivasan remembered the day in 1984 when 'Nupura', the dance institute run by her, had organised similar Dance Festival which continued for three decades.

"Such programmes should be organised on a regular basis as it would help people," she said.

University Vice-Chancellor Prof. Nagesh V. Bettakote said it was only through education that arts could be saved for future.

Stating that the University had been working towards passing the legacy of arts to future generations, Prof. Nagesh Bettakote said that about 12,000 students had appeared for various examinations conducted by the University and added the more such programmes would be introduced in the future to promote arts.

"When we think about Indian music, it is always Hindustani music that comes to mind. However, Karnatak music also has a long history," he said and urged SNA to extend its support to all forms of arts without prioritising only a few.

The inaugural event was followed by veena recital by Prof. Visweswaran. SNA Joint Director Raghu, University Registrar (Evaluation) Prof. M.G. Manjunath, Finance Officer K.S. Rekha, Programme Officer Shilpa Nagaraj and others were present.

EVENTS ON MAY 1

11 am-11.30 am: Pusthakam Ramaa (Bengaluru) - Music for Dance; **11.40 am-12.10 pm:** Sapam Kullabi Singh (Manipur) - Nata Pung; **4 pm-4.30 pm:** Subramaniam Sekhar - Creative & Experimental Music; **4.40 pm-5.10 pm:** Urmila Sathyanarayanan - Bharatanatyam; **5.20 pm-5.50 pm:** Prakash Dumpeti - Periniattam; **6 pm-6.30 pm:** Jagdish Sundarlal Gangani - Kathak.

EVENTS ON MAY 2

11 am-11.30 am: Sitaram Singh (Patna) - Sugam Sangeet; **11.40 am-12.10 pm:** L.V. Gangadhara Sastry (Hyderabad) - Sugam Sangeet; **12.20 pm-12.50 pm:** Bhaben Borbayan - Sattriya; **4 pm-4.30 pm:** Manda Sudharani (Visakhapatnam) - Karnatak Vocal; **4.40 pm-5.10 pm:** Vinod Kumar Dwivedi (Kanpur) - Dhrupad Vocal; **5.20 pm-5.50 pm:** Latasana Devi - Manipuri; **6 pm- 6.30 pm:** Snehaprava Samantaray - Odissi; **6.40 pm-7.10 pm:** Margi Vijayakumar - Kathakali; **7.20 pm-7.50 pm:** Nalini & Kamalini - Kathak.

Bhagini Sangeethotsava: Day-3

Displaying vocal excellence

On the third day of the music series of Bhagini Sangeethotsava, a vocal duet by the duo **Lakshmi Nagaraj** and **Indu Nagaraj**, popularly known as **Chilkunda Sisters**, was arranged but due to reasons unknown, Indu Nagaraj did not show up and Lakshmi had to manage the show all by herself and she did it with confidence and vigour.

The accompanists were all from Mysuru — Aditi Krishna Prakash on violin, H.L. Shivashankar Swamy on mridanga and M.R. Manjunath on ghata.

Lakshmi has a very powerful voice that is both melodic and robust, which makes her music very attractive. Her deep-rooted training, inherited from her father Vid. C.A. Nagaraj, was evident throughout the performance. It was heartening to see the hall overflowing with her fans and the organisers had a tough time managing space and chairs for all.

Lakshmi Nagaraj performing at BSS Vidyodaya in Krishnamurthypuram in city on Apr. 25 as part of Bhagini Sangeethotsava. She is accompanied by Aditi Krishna Prakash on violin, H.L. Shivashankar Swamy on mridanga and M.R. Manjunath on ghata.

The concert opened with a brisk varna in Shahana 'KaruNimpa idi manchi' by Thiruvottiyur Tyagayar set to Adi Tala. Dikshitar's 'Swaminatha paripAlayaashumAm' was suffixed with swaras at 'VAmadeva pArvati sukumAra,' the latter part of the Anupallavi section. After the rendition of 'Mokshamu galada' in Saramati by Sri Tyagaraja and 'GaruDagamana samayamidE' by Patnam Subramania Iyer in Nagaswaravali, Lakshmi took up the submain piece of the evening.

It seems to be the Kharaharapriya season. The alapana was good but could have been more expansive. Aditi too explored the emotive possibilities of the raga. The composition was 'RAma nee samAnamevaru' by Sri Tyagaraja. Lakshmi can work more on lower notes. The rendition also saw a niraval at 'Paluku Paluku' followed by spontaneous swaras.

Lakshmi remembered her Guru Sri Venkata Narayana Shastri through his composition 'Praseeda janani' in a rare raga Budhamanohari. The centrepiece of the concert was Kalyani. Kalyani is such a bewitching raga that it sounds different by each artiste in each presentation. The raga, the presentation of the kriti 'EtAvunnarA' by Sri Tyagaraja set to vilamba Adi tala, the niraval at 'SeetAgowri' and the swaras centring around 'p', were treated with creative imagination drawing appreciative nods from the seasoned listeners in the audience.

The concert was farther enriched by the adept accompanist of the supporting artistes, adding layers of melodic and rhythmic depth. Seasoned mridangist Shivashankar Swamy vibrant taniyavartanam with Manjunath's ghata was appreciated greatly by the listeners.

The tukdas towards the end of the concert included 'RAma mantrava japiso he manuja' by Sri Purandara Dasaru and a Balamurali Tillana in Brindavana Saranga.

—Dr. Padmavathi Narasimhan

Akshaya Tritiya Shopping

Tholasi Jewels

Joyalukkas

Jos Alukkas

Mysuru, Apr. 30 (RK&VNS)- As part of auspicious Akshaya Tritiya celebrations today, jewellery showrooms across the city announced special offers to attract customers to purchase gold, diamond and silver articles. Many people purchase gold on this day as it is believed that acquiring gold on Akshaya Tritiya will lead to prosperity in the future.

The showrooms were opened as early as 9 am for the benefit of the customers. Though there was not much rush in the morning, slowly it witnessed a steady rise in sales. Soaring sun is expected to be one of the reasons for slow sales in the morning.

However, the jewellers are expecting the sales to go up in the evening. Another factor for moderate sales is also the rise in gold prices. Today also being an auspicious day for marriage, house warming and other functions, people are expected to visit gold showrooms after attending to the functions.

A. Shankara Chetty & Sons

In Mysuru, the price of 22 Karat gold is Rs. 8,980 per gram today, compared to Rs. 6,700 per gram on Akshya Tritiya last year, an increase of Rs. 2,280 per gram.

However, compared to a few days, gold prices have reduced by a decent margin as it had almost touched Rs. 10,000 per gram of 22 Karat gold.

Jos Alukkas and Joyalukkas on B.N Road, Tholasi Jewels on Ashoka Road, V.V. Mohalla and Nanjangud, A. Shankara Chetty and Sons, K.R. Circle, Caratlane, Nexus Mall, Tanishq, D.D. Urs Road, Sulthan Diamonds and Gold near St. Philomena's Church, Prakash Jewellers, Vinoba Road, Malabar Gold and Diamonds on Bengaluru-Nilgiri Road, Kalyan Jewellers, Laskhar Mohalla, Bhima Jewellers, Bengaluru-Nilgiri Road, Sree Kumaran Jewellers, Bengaluru-Nilgiri Road, Lalitha Jewellery Mart on Ashoka Road are among prominent showrooms which would be attracting customers.

Akshaya Tritiya falls on the third day of Vaishaka month in Hindu calendar. This is not only about purchasing gold, diamonds or other precious items but it is also a day when people engage in acts of humanitarianism and offer special pujas to Lord Vishnu. Akshaya Tritiya is also the day when Lord Parashurama, the sixth avatar of Lord Vishnu was born.

The Mysuru City Police had also deployed Police personnel at Central Business District (CBD) which houses prominent gold showrooms. Police Control Room (PCR) and Garuda patrolling vehicles were seen making regular rounds at K.R. Circle, Ashoka Road, D. Devaraja Urs Road, Bengaluru-Nilgiri Road, Surya Bakery Circle, at Saraswathipuram, Kuvempunagar, Dattagalli, Agrahara which house many gold showrooms to keep an eye on anti-social elements and to prevent untoward incidents.

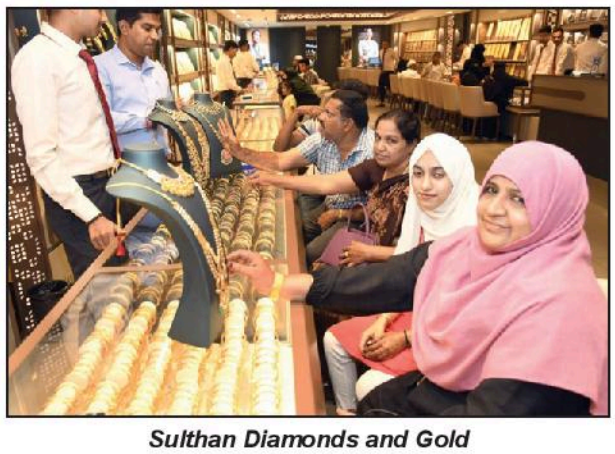
Tanishq

Kalyan Jewellers

Malabar Gold and Diamonds

Sree Kumaran Jewellers

Caratlane



Sulthan Diamonds and Gold

Bhima Jewellers

Prakash Jewellers

Lalitha Jewellery Mart

WORD OF THE DAY

Pugnacious

Pronunciation: pug-NAY-shus (adjective).
Meaning: Someone described as pugnacious shows a readiness or desire to fight or argue.
Origin: Pugnacious individuals are often looking for a fight. While unpleasant, at least their fists are packing an etymological punch. Pugnacious comes from the Latin verb pugnare (meaning "to fight"), which in turn comes from the Latin word for "fist," pugnus. Another Latin word related to pugnus is pugil, meaning "boxer." Pugil is the source of our word pugilist, which means "fighter" and is used especially of professional boxers. Pugnare has also given us impugn ("to assail by words or arguments"), oppugn ("to fight against"), and repugnant (which is now used primarily in the sense of "exciting distaste or aversion," but which has also meant "characterised by contradictory opposition" and "hostile").
Example: "While looking through the Perkins telescope [at Saturn] one night, a pugnacious 10-year-old commented, 'Hey! I only see one ring. Rip off!'" — Tom Burns, The Delaware (Ohio) Gazette, 23 Oct. 2024.

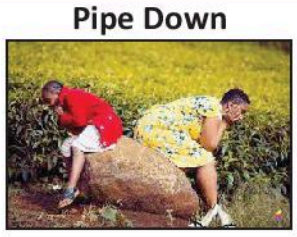
THE ODD WORD

Paideutic

Educational method or theory.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Pipe Down



Meaning: When you say 'Pipe Down' you mean "be quiet!"
Origin: The origin of the expression 'Pipe Down' is nautical. Whistled signals are given to crews via a boatswain's pipe, with one of those signals meaning "time to go below decks and retire for the evening," or "be quiet as it's time for bed." This has been used since the late 16th century.
Example: "Tell the kids to pipe down. I can't hear the TV!"

QUOTE BOX

It is better to be hated for what you are than to be loved for what you are not. **— Andre Gide**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

HeHeHeLIUM

Answer: Laughing Gas.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 Ms Yagnik, playback singer
5 Sum up
10 Emerald Isle?
13 Eagle's nest
14 Capital of Israel (3,4)
15 Pleasantly overweight
16 Dodges or evades
18 Unnecessary activity or commotion
19 Standing Room Only, abbr.
20 Winged insect
24 River, to Juanita
27 Weeps or expresses sorrow for
29 See 45
32 Language
33 Insanity
35 __ __ good boy : behave yourself (2,1)
36 Conspiracy
37 Anti-tetanus serum, abbr
39 Light-Emitting Diode
42 Ex-Chief Minister of West Bengal (5,4)
45 & 29 Across US tennis star who has won eight Grand Slam singles titles (5,6)
49 Crimson dye
50 View or thoughts
51 Urged with a stick
52 Unspoken
53 Dry and withered

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

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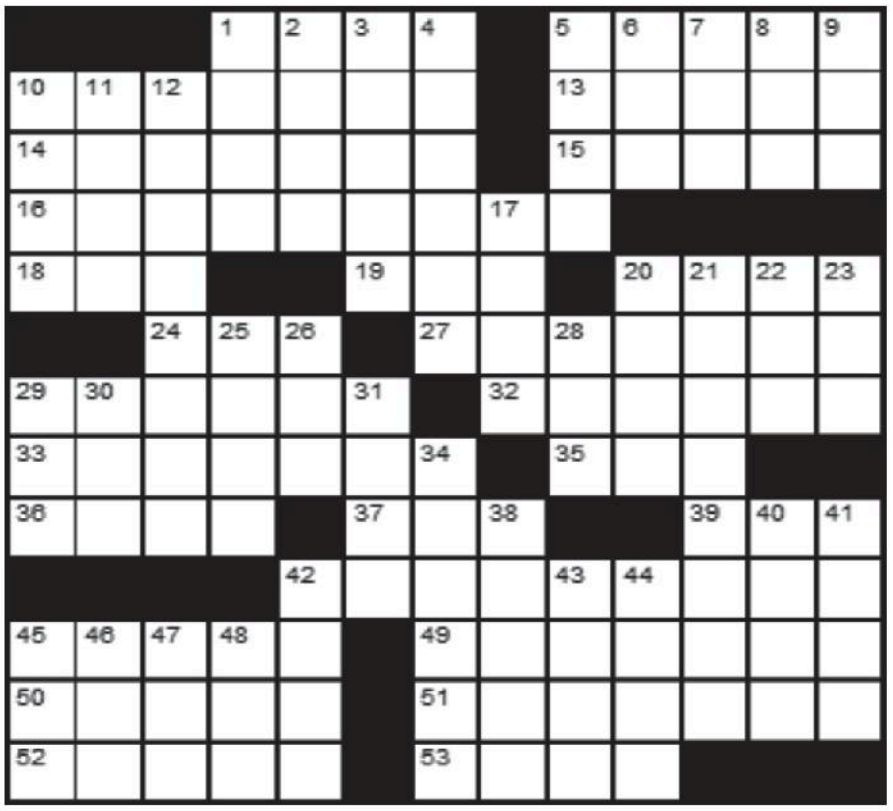
DOWN

1 Wings or winglike parts
2 Toilets in short
3 Weaves wool
4 Part of speech
5 Sings like Eminem?
6 Long fish
7 French vineyard -"cur" anagram?
8 ___ at : make it one's goal?
9 American slang for 'energy'
10 "__ _ Small World" (3,1)
11 Ex-Kiwi captain John ___
12 The Spanish city of gold? (2,6)
17 Tagore or Keats
20 ___ down the drain : absolutely wasted?
21 State neighbouring Assam
22 Music director Malik
23 T.S. Eliot's initials
25 Is not, in contracted form
26 Sugar suffix ?
28 Crime syndicate
29 Stereo component
30 American slang for a sweetheart?
31 English exclamation (1,3)
34 Tramples heavily on
38 Gaze fixedly
40 Italian city famous for its ancient Roman ruins
41 Twosome, pair
42 Joke
43 Prince of grand opera
44 Adam ___ : the famous poetic character?
45 Islet
46 BJP and their allies?
47 X-mas month
48 Bollywood's Aishwarya __ Bachchan



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Answer to previous puzzle

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3	6	5	2	1	9	7	8	4
4	9	8	7	5	3	2	1	6

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

G FYGQC OTGRRGTU PZAQ ZTPQ,

NXF FJQ GPQ PXNQO UZF OFXPA GT VL TZOQ.

TODAY'S CLUE: U EQUALS G

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: To change and to change for the better are two different things.

MOVIE LOVERS

NOW SHOWING - SINGLE SCREEN THEATRES

- **Gayathri Theatre** — **Ph: 2443568**
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  Gangers (Ta) - 4 Shows
- **Mahadeshwara Theatre** — **Mob: 99008-20093**
  Dasarahalli (K) - 4 Shows
- **Woodlands Theatre** — **Ph: 2422871**
  Firefly (K) - 2 Shows; *Good Bad Ugly (Ta)* - 2 Shows
- **Padma Theatre** — **Ph: 2521923**
  Gandhada Gudi (1973) (K) - 2 Shows; *Odela 2 (Te)* - 2 Shows
- **Thibbadevi Theatre** — **Ph: 2452958**
  Bhagiratha (K) - 4 Shows
- **Prabha Theatre** — **Mob: 98454-14691**
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- **Sangam Theatre** — **Ph: 2520494**
  Vaamana (K) - 4 Shows
- **Balaji Theatre** — **Mob: 98863-25207**
  Sikandar (H) - 3 Shows

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Yuddhakaanda Chapter 2 (K)	(S-1)	10.10 am
	(S-2)	4.05 pm, 7 pm, 9.55 pm
Ne Zha 2 (Mandarin-3D)	(S-1)	1.10 pm, 4.05 pm
Thudarum (Ma)	(S-1)	7 pm, 10.20 pm
Gandhada Gudi 1973 (K)	(S-2)	10.10 am
Firefly (K)	(S-2)	1.20 pm
Gangster Alla Prankster (K)	(S-3)	10.25 am
Gangers (Ta)	(S-3)	1.05 pm
Kesari Chapter 2 (H)	(S-3)	4.20 pm, 7.10 pm
Saragapani Jathakam (Te)	(S-3)	10 pm
Until Dawn (E)	(S-4)	11 am, 7.25 pm, 9.45 pm
Amara Premi Arun (K)	(S-4)	1.30 pm
Ground Zero (H)	(S-4)	4.30 pm

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Amara Premi Arun (K)	:	1.10 pm
Yuddhakaanda Chapter 2 (K)	:	1.30 pm, 4.15 pm, 7 pm, 9.15 pm
Gangster Alla Prankster (K)	:	3.55 pm
Sarangapani Jathakam (Te)	:	4.15 pm
Gangers (Ta)	:	6.15 pm, 9.15 pm

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Jaat (H)	:	10 am
Kesari Chapter 2 (H)	:	10 am, 12.50 pm, 6.35 pm
Until Dawn (E)	:	10.10 am, 2.05 pm, 10.30 pm
Gandhada Gudi (1973) (K)	:	11 am
Ne Zha 2 (Mandarin - 3D)	:	11.05 am, 4.30 pm, 7.30 pm
Ground Zero (H)	:	12.35 pm, 3.40 pm, 9.30 pm
Thudarum (Ma)	:	1.15 pm
Gangster Alla Prankster (K)	:	2.15 pm
Sachein (Ta)	:	3.30 pm
Dasarahalli (K)	:	4.50 pm
Dhoom 2 (H)	:	5 pm
Andaz Apna Apna (H)	:	6.45 pm
Firefly (K)	:	7.25 pm
Yuddhakaanda Chapter 2 (K)	:	7.30 pm
Good Bad Ugly (Ta)	:	9.45 pm
Sikandar (H)	:	10 pm
Sarangapani Jathakam (Ta)	:	10.30 pm

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Ground Zero (H)	:	9.20 am, 4.20 pm, 6.05 pm, 10.15 pm
Gangers (Ta)	:	9.30 am, 12.45 pm, 4 pm, 7.15 pm
Yuddhakaanda Chapter 2 (K)	:	10.25 am, 12.15 pm
Ne Zha 2 (Mandarin -3D)	:	11.40 am, 5.05 pm, 10.30 pm
Kesari Chapter 2 (H)	:	1.30 pm
Until Dawn (E)	:	2.40 pm, 8.05 pm, 10.30 pm
Firefly (K)	:	3.15 pm, 9 pm
Amara Premi Arun (K)	:	7.15 pm

Dr. Raj Ranga Ratna Awards conferred

Film director B. Siddegowda GBS, writer-theatre artiste Katte M.S. Krishnaswamy, theatre directors S.D. Dayananda & V. Udaykumar and theatre artiste H.C. Mahesh Kumar, were conferred with State-level Dr. Raj Ranga Ratna Award at a programme organised by Dr. Rajkumar Ranga Parishat, Mysuru, at Namana Kala Mantapa in Krishnamurthypuram on Apr. 26. They are seen with KSOU retd. VC Dr. N.S. Ramegowda, senior social worker Dr. K. Raghuram Vajpayee, Dr. S.P. Yoganna of Suyog Hospital, Zoology Professor Dr. S. Basavarajappa, Sri Basaveshwara Samskrutika Pratishtana Founder-President Basavarajendra Swamy and others.

EVENTS TODAY (APRIL 30)

- **Kanchi Kamakoti Mutt, Mysuru:** Celebrating the Sanyasa Deeksha to Sri Duddu Satya Venkata Surya Subrahmanya Ganesha Sharma Dravid at Kanchipuram, special pujas at Mysuru Temple, Mysore Kanchi Mutt premises and Kanchi Kamakshi Aramane Rama Temple (near Marimallappa's School), **6.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (MAY 1)

- **Sri Shankara Jayanti Sabha:** Sri Shankara Bhagavatpadara Jayantyutsava and 46th Anniversary celebrations, Rudrabhisheka, Shodashopachara Puje, Sahasra Namarchane, **9.30 am;** Mahamangalarati, Rajashirvada and Prasada Viniyoga, **11.30 am;** Bharatanatyam by Pooja Sugam, disciple and daughter of Dr. Kripa Phadke and troupe, Samudaya Bhavana, Tenginatopu, 3rd Cross Road, 2nd Main Road, Saraswathipuram, **5 pm to 6.30 pm.**
- **Surabhi Gana Kalamandira Charitable Trust, Mysuru:** 'Aralu Pratibhe' — 'Pratibhankura' new music series — Vidu. Amruta Subramanya talks on 'Sangeetha Shikshakiya Swa-Anubhava,' **10.30 am;** Karnatak Classical Music - Vocal Duet by Vidu. Veena Nagaraj and Vid. Dr. S.R. Nagaraj, accompanied by Vid. M.D. Arjun on violin and Vid. P.S. Sridhar on mridanga, 'Rasavrunda,' #1095, Devaparthiva Road, Chamarajapuram, **11 am.**
- **Sangeet Natak Akademi (SNA), New Delhi and Karnataka State Dr. Gangubai Hangal Music and Performing Arts University, Mysuru:** SNA Fellows & Awardees Festival of Music and Dance 2025, Vijnana Bhavan, Manasagangothri campus, Mysuru, **11 am to 6.30 pm.**

EVENTS ON FRIDAY (MAY 2)

- **Sri Shankara Jayanti Sabha:** Sri Shankara Bhagavatpadara Jayantyutsava and 46th Anniversary celebrations, Rudrabhisheka, Shodashopachara Puje, Sahasra Namarchane, **9.30 am;** Mahamangalarati, Rajashirvada and Prasada Viniyoga, **11.30 am;** Karnatak Classical Music by Vidu. Tejashree and troupe, Samudaya Bhavana, Tenginatopu, 3rd Cross Road, 2nd Main Road, Saraswathipuram, **5 pm to 6.30 pm.**
- **District Administration:** Shankaracharya Jayanti celebrations, Geeta Gayana, **10 am;** Stage programme, Mini Theatre, Kalamandira premises, **11.30 am.**

Geeta Shankara programme

Mysuru, Apr. 30- DVG Balaga Prathisthana and Brahmavidya have organised 'Geetha Shankara' programme, a grand Karnatak Classical Music Concert completely based on Sri Adi Shankara Bhagavadpaadaacharya's works at 5 pm on May 2 at Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha on JLB Road in city.

Dr. Nandakumar

Vid. Dr. R.S. Nandakumar will present the concert with Vidu. Prithvi Bhaskar on violin, Vid. G.S. Ramanujam on mridanga and Vid. S. Manjunath on ghata.

There will be book release of 'Bhava Shankara' excerpts from the life of Adi Shankara Bhagavatpaadacharya, authored by H.M. Nagaraja Rao.

For further details, contact DVG Balaga Pratishthana Convener C. Kanakaraju on Mob: 94489-73582.

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Gangers (Ta)	:	9.55 am, 4.05 pm, 6.30 pm, 10.15 pm
Gandhada Gudi (1973) (K)	:	10 am
Until Dawn (E)	:	11.10 am, 4.35 pm
Amara Premi Arun (K)	:	12.40 pm
Kesari Chapter 2 (H)	:	1.20 pm, 10 pm
Ne Zha 2 (Mandarin - 3D)	:	1.35 pm, 7 pm
Firefly (K)	:	3.40 pm, 9.45 pm
Thudarum (Ma)	:	4.15 pm
Yuddhakaanda Chapter 2 (K)	:	7.30 pm
Andaz Apna Apna (H)	:	10.30 pm

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Ground Zero (H)	:	10.05 am, 4 pm, 10.30 pm
Firefly (K)	:	10.35 am, 6.55 pm
Yuddhakaanda Chapter 2 (K)	:	1 pm, 4.15 pm, 10.20 pm
Thudarum (Ma)	:	1.25 pm 09:45 pm
Until Dawn (E)	:	2.10 pm, 7.35 pm
Ne Zha 2 (Mandarin - 3D)	:	4.35 pm, 10 pm
Gangster Alla Prankster (K)	:	4.40 pm
Alappuzha Gymkhana (Ma)	:	7.20 pm

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